BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Thayer County,) Application No. 911-023.58
Hebron, seeking funding approval)
for recurring and non-recurring)
costs of Enhanced Wireless 911) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
implementation.)
) Entered: July 3, 2007

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding received from Thayer County, Hebron, seeking funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund (Fund) for expenses to develop and maintain Geographical Information System (GIS) data necessary for the implementation of Phase II wireless enhanced 911.

Thayer County has entered into a contract for services with GIS Workshop, Inc. (GIS Workshop) for the development and maintenance of GIS Data and has provided a copy of the contract with its request for funding.

Thayer County seeks reimbursement of initial costs of \$18,400.00 for development of map layers and enhancements. Thayer County has provided documentation showing that payment to GIS Workshop has been made. The documentation shows that payment was made in the amount of \$42,000.00, but reimbursement is requested only with respect to amounts related to data development. The remaining amounts were attributable to costs for addressing and MSAG development.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

This request for funding is being processed pursuant to $\underline{\text{Neb}}$. $\underline{\text{Rev}}$. $\underline{\text{Stat}}$. §§ 86-442 to 86-469 (2006 Cum. Supp.), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002 and the October 18, 2005 Adopting Guidelines for GIS Funding in Docket No. 911-011.

Costs requested are eligible under <u>Neb</u>. <u>Rev</u>. <u>Stat</u>. § 86-465 (2006 Cum. Supp.). All costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the development of GIS data which is necessary for the future implementation of Phase II wireless enhanced 911 service.

The Commission finds that payment should be made to Thayer County in the amount of \$18,400.00 for the non-recurring costs

pursuant to the terms of the contract and subject to any limitations herein.

The Commission and its authorized staff shall have access to all data developed. Additionally, agencies and political subdivisions of the State of Nebraska, to the extent allowed by law and by agreement of the parties, shall have access to data as deemed appropriate by the Commission. The data and all updates shall be provided for inclusion in the centralized GIS data repository.

If the Nebraska Legislature fails to appropriate or authorize the expenditure of sufficient funds to provide for the payment of costs from the Fund for GIS development and maintenance or if a lawful order issued in or for any fiscal year during the term of the contract for services reduces the funds appropriated or authorized in such amounts as to preclude making the payments from the Fund, the Commission will not be responsible for any costs not reimbursed by the Fund.

The Commission reserves the right to modify any amounts approved herein in the future, consistent with the permanent funding mechanism established pursuant to LB 1222 [2006].

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the request for funding of Thayer County shall be granted subject to the terms herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall remit to Thayer County from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund \$18,400.00 for non-recurring costs as described herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 3rd day of July, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director